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I. INTRODUCTION

As a first phase, project "Eole" attempts to find, from the localization of a balloon on two consecutive orbits, the continuous lowfrequency component of wind. The project requires localization of the balloon at each orbital revolution as perfect as possible. Memoranda No. 10 and 11 have shown the possibility of restituting under zero wind and on the basis of two interrogations made by a Doppler measurements, the exact position of the balloon taking into account systematic errors due to terrestrial rotation and the relative speed of satellite and balloon. However, the investigation of the influence of the wind has shown that such localization resulted in considerable errors of as much as 100 to 150 km at a wind strength on the order of 200 km/hr.

At least a partial knowledge of the high-frequency components of the wind was shown to be indispensable in order to correct the error introduced. This knowledge can be furnished only by sequential data obtained by different measurments during the time of visibility. We intend in this study to propose a method on the basis of an arithmetic processing of the data which will make it possible to restitute the geographic

components of the wind assumed to be constant during the time of visibility (on the order of 8 to 10 minutes).

### II. Principle of the Method

The iterative process referred to in memorandum No. 11 makes it possible to completely restitute the localization, provided the continuous components of the wind are known.

Subsequently we can consider processing of the information utilizing such a process on the basis of given wind data. Data so collected will make it possible to isolate the influence due to the wind and to restitute the two continuous components of the wind.

We consider a sequence of interrogation  $t_1, t = T, t + 2T, t + 3T, \dots, t + nT$  to which correspond the positions  $S_1, S_2, S_3$  and  $S_n$  of the satellite and the corresponding values measured by the Doppler effect  $\cos \beta_{1m}, \cos \beta_{2m}, \cos \beta_{3m}, \dots, \cos \beta_{nm}$  taking into account the terrestrial rotation, the speed of the approach satellite-balloon and the continuous components of the wind. In this first part it is assumed that the measured magnitudes are not affected by any errors. We shall see specifically in the second part the influence of the ionospheric errors on the restitution of localization. The wind is further defined by its two geographic components  $V_p$  and  $V_m$  assumed to be constant during the time of visibility ( $V_p$  = component parallel to the terrestrial equator;  $V_p$  perpendicular to  $V_m$  in the plane tangential to the sphere of the balloons at the point considered).

The process referred to in memorandum No. 11 and consisting of two

iterative processes for compensating terrestrial rotation and an overall iterative process for compensating the influence of the speed of approach satellite-balloon, makes it possible to restitute, on the basis of the given components  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  and of two interrogations, the position of the balloon falsified uniquely by the erroneous components of the wind.

Let us designate respectively by  $\mu_{12}$  and  $\theta_{12}$  the longitude and the inertial latitude of the balloon  $B_{21}$  at the instant  $t + T$  taking into account the geographic components  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  and the two magnitudes  $\cos \beta_{1m}$  and  $\cos \beta_{2m}$  corresponding to the first and second interrogation.

In similar manner, the second and third interrogation define, on the basis of the same components of the wind, the longitude  $\mu_{23}$  and the latitude  $\theta_{23}$  of the balloon  $B_{22}$  at the instant  $t + T$ . We thus associate with each pair of values  $v_1 v_2$  the magnitudes  $\mu_{23} - \mu_{12}$  and  $\theta_{23} - \theta_{12}$  which express the variations of longitude and latitude of the balloon at the instant  $t + T$  by utilizing only the three first interrogations. It

is obvious that  $\mu_{23} = \mu_{12}$  and  $\theta_{23} = \theta_{12}$  for  $v_1 = v_p$  and  $v_2 = v_m$ .

In order to dissociate the respective influences of the two components of the wind, we plotted (cf. fig. 1 and 1') the curves  $\mu_{23} - \mu_{12} = f(v_1)$

and  $\theta_{23} - \theta_{12} = g(v_1)$  for  $v_2 = 0$  and the curves  $\mu_{23} - \mu_{12} = h(v_2)$

and  $\theta_{23} - \theta_{12} = k(v_2)$  for  $v_1 = 0$  based on the three measured values

$\cos \beta_{1m}$ ,  $\cos \beta_{2m}$  and  $\cos \beta_{3m}$ . The linearity of these curves was

verified in general and is explained by the low value of the wind in relation to the speed of rotation of the earth which results in relatively slight variations of latitude and longitude of the balloon. On the other

hand, the curves  $f(v_1)$  and  $g(v_1)$  are concurrent in a point such that  $f(v_{11}) = g(v_{11}) = 0$ . With one component known, the second is subsequently determined in a unique manner with the aid of three interrogations and is such that the distance  $d_{12}$  separating the two positions of the balloon  $B_{21}$  and  $B_{22}$  at the instant  $t + T$ , as calculated respectively from the first and the second interrogation as well as for the second and third interrogation, is precisely zero.

Subsequently, three interrogations and consequently two localizations make it possible to define a relation  $F(v_1, v_2) = 0$  such that  $d_{12} = 0$ . This relation is linear with very satisfactory approximation and we again find (cf. fig. 2) the magnitudes  $v_{11}$  and  $v_{21}$  such that  $f(v_{11}) = g(v_{11}) = h(v_{21}) = k(v_{21}) = 0$ .

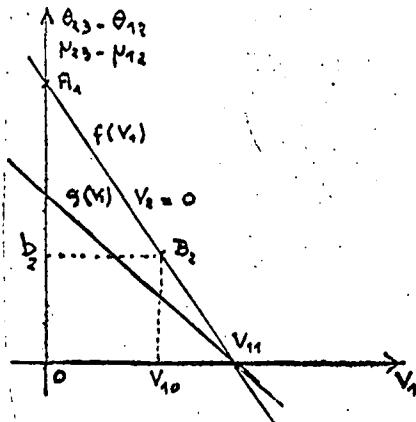


Fig 1

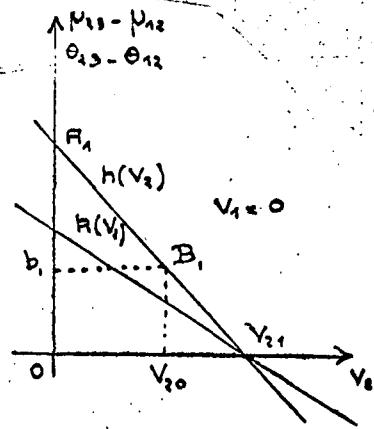


Fig 1'

Three interrogations are insufficient for restituting the two components of the wind but make it possible to determine the strength  $\text{f}$

of the wind if its direction is known or vice versa. The fourth interrogation ( $\cos \beta_{4m}$ ) furnishes the additional information permitting solution of the problem. We resume the process described in the preceding by utilizing e.g. for the localization of the balloon, the second and fourth interrogation. We thus define for two given components of the wind the position  $B_{23}$  of the balloon (cf. fig. 3) which we compare with the position  $B_{21}$  of the balloon obtained with the same components of the wind.

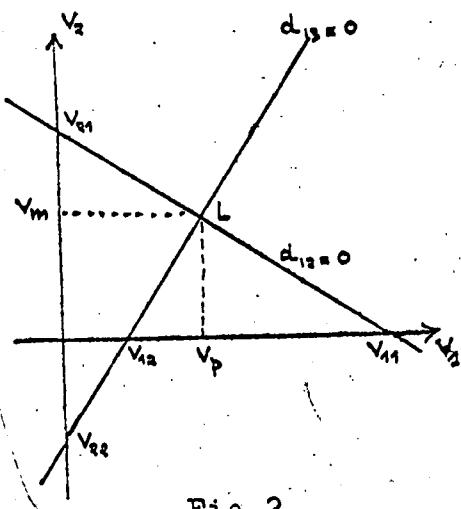


Fig. 2

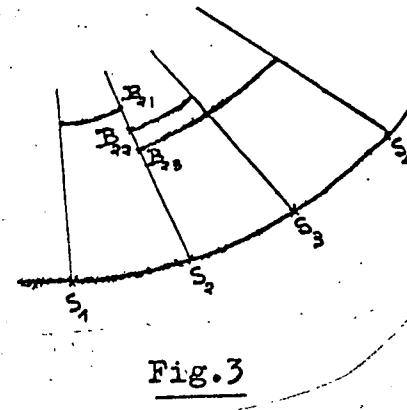


Fig. 3

In similar manner, the distance  $d_{13} = |B_{23}B_{21}|$  is cancelled when the components  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  of the wind are subject to an approximately linear relation  $G(V_1, V_2) = 0$  schematized by a straight line in the plane  $V_1, V_2$ . The point L at the intersection of the two straight lines uniquely defines

the two components  $V_p$  and  $V_m$  of the wind and these, when reintroduce into the process of localization, determine the exact position of the balloon.

This method for which we shall specify the formulation in the next paragraph, suggests some remarks. The observed linearity of the curves prevents any recurrent process for determining the magnitudes  $V_{11}$ ,  $V_{21}$ ,  $V_{12}$  and  $V_{22}$  and consequently considerably reduces the time of computation which is essentially only a function of the number of localizations necessary for gathering all data.

The magnitudes  $V_{11}$  and  $V_{21}$  make it necessary to know the points  $A_1$ ,  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  (cf. fig. 1 and 1') which require the following six localizations:

$v_1 = 0$  1) localization on base  $S_1 S_2$

from which  $\overline{OA} = \mu_{23} - \mu_{12}$

$v_2 = 0$  2) localization on base  $S_2 S_3$

$v_1 = v_{10}$  3) localization on base  $S_1 S_2$

from which  $\overline{OB}_2 = \mu_{23} - \mu_{12}$

$v_2 = 0$  4) localization on base  $S_2 S_3$

$v_2 = v_{20}$  5) localization on base  $S_1 S_2$

from which  $\overline{OB}_1 = \mu_{23} - \mu_{12}$

$v_1 = 0$  6) localization on base  $S_2 S_3$

In order to know the magnitudes  $V_{12}$  and  $V_{22}$  only three localizations are necessary because we can profit from the localizations 1, 3 and 5 already made on base  $S_1 S_2$ .

$v_1 = 0$       7) localization on base  $S_2 S_4$

$v_2 = 0$

$v_1 = 0$       8) localization on base  $S_2 S_4$

$v_2 = v_{20}$

$v_1 = v_{10}$       9) localization on base  $S_2 S_4$

$v_2 = 0$

Complete restitution of the two components requires nine localizations with the aid of the general iterative process where an additional localization is necessary for the restitution of the position of the balloon on the basis of the components of the wind. Memorandum No. 11 points out the amount of time of arithmetic calculation for a complete localization taking into account terrestrial rotation and the error of measurement. We must therefore expect a large amount of time of calculation for the restitution of the localization of a balloon. Consequently, a variant of the method will be proposed in a subsequent paragraph in order to reduce computation time.

### III. Formulation

The first part of the program consists in an attempt to find from a given position of the balloon  $B_2$  at the instant  $t + T$ , the measured values  $\cos \beta_{1m}$ ,  $\cos \beta_{2m}$ ..... $\cos \beta_{nm}$  at the instant  $t$ ,  $t + T$ ,  $t + 2T$ .....,  $t + nT$  taking into account the velocity of rotation of the earth, the speed of approach satellite-balloon, and the components

of the wind  $V_p$  and  $V_m$ .

The notations utilized are those of memorandum No. 11. Since the balloon is defined by its longitude  $\lambda_i$  and its orbital latitude

$\lambda_i$  ( $\lambda_i = (\overrightarrow{OS_i}, \overrightarrow{OB_i})$ ), the different formulas for the solution of this problem are as follows:

$B_2$  from  $\lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_2$  = given position of the balloon at the instant  $t + T$ ;

when designating by  $\alpha = (\overrightarrow{Ox}, \overrightarrow{OS_2})$  we have.

$$\mu_2 = \text{Arcsin}(\sin i \cos \varphi_2 \sin(\lambda_2 + \alpha) + \cos i \sin \varphi_2) \quad \text{geographic latitude of } B_2$$

$$\theta_2 = \text{Arctg} \left[ (\cos i \cos \varphi_2 \sin(\lambda_2 + \alpha) - \sin i \sin \varphi_2) / \cos \varphi_2 \cos(\lambda_2 + \alpha) \right] \quad \text{inertial longitude of } B_2$$

$$\theta_1 = \theta_2 - \omega_0 T - \frac{V_p T}{\cos \mu_2} \quad \theta_1 = \text{inertial longitude of } B_1$$

$$\nu_1 = \mu_2 - V_m T \quad \nu_1 = \text{latitude of } B_1 \quad \varphi_1 = \text{Arctg} \frac{\cos i \sin \theta_1 \cos \nu_1 + \sin i \sin \nu_1}{\cos \theta_1 \cos \nu_1}$$

$$\varphi_1 = \text{Arc cos} \frac{\cos \theta_1 \cos \nu_1}{\cos \nu_1} \quad \varphi_1 = \text{orbital longitude of } B_1$$

counted as starting from  $Ox$ .

$$\varphi_1 = \text{orbital latitude of } B_1.$$

$$\text{From this we deduce } \cos \beta_1 = \frac{\cos \varphi_1 \sin(\Omega_s T + \varphi_1 - \alpha)}{\sqrt{1 + \nu^2 - 2 \nu \cos \varphi_1 \cos(\varphi_1 + \Omega_s T - \alpha)}} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\cos \beta_2 = \frac{\cos \varphi_2 \sin \lambda_2}{\sqrt{1 + \nu^2 - 2 \nu \cos \varphi_2 \cos \lambda_2}}. \quad \text{In order to define the measured magnitudes}$$

$\cos \beta_{1m}$  and  $\cos \beta_{2m}$ , we must take into account the components of the speed vector of the balloon at each instant of interrogation.

The components of the speed vector referenced to the axes OXYZ are:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{V}_{B_i} &= \begin{cases} -(\omega_0 \cos \nu_i + V_p) \sin \theta_i - V_m \sin \nu_i \cos \theta_i \\ (\omega_0 \cos \nu_i + V_p) \cos \theta_i - V_m \sin \nu_i \sin \theta_i \\ V_m \cos \nu_i \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

The components of vector referenced to the axis Oxyz based on the orbital plane become:

$$\vec{V}_{B_i} = \begin{pmatrix} -(w_0 \cos \mu_i + V_p) \sin \theta_i - V_m \sin \mu_i \cos \theta_i \\ (w_0 \cos \mu_i + V_p) \cos \theta_i \cos i - V_m \sin \mu_i \sin \theta_i \cos i + V_m \cos \mu_i \sin i \\ -(w_0 \cos \mu_i + V_p) \cos \theta_i \sin i - V_m \sin \mu_i \sin \theta_i \sin i + V_m \cos \mu_i \cos i \end{pmatrix}$$

By writing that:

$$\frac{(S_i \cdot B_i, V_{B_i})}{|S_i \cdot B_i|} = |V_{B_i}| \cos \delta_i$$

we deduce from this

$$\cos \beta_{im} = \cos \beta_i - \frac{|V_{B_i}| \cos \delta_i}{|V_{S_i}|}$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \beta_{im} &= \cos \beta_i - ((-(w_0 \cos \mu_2 + V_p) \sin \theta_2 - V_m \sin \mu_2 \cos \theta_2) (\cos \varphi_2 \cos \psi_2 - u \cos \alpha) \\ &+ ((w_0 \cos \mu_2 + V_p) \cos \theta_2 \cos i - V_m \sin \mu_2 \sin \theta_2 \cos i + V_m \cos \mu_2 \sin i) (\cos \varphi_2 \sin \psi_2 - u \sin \alpha) + ((-(w_0 \cos \mu_2 + V_p) \cos \theta_2 \sin i + V_m \sin \mu_2 \sin \theta_2 \sin i + V_m \cos \mu_2 \cos i) \\ &\sin \varphi_2) / \Pi_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \beta_{im} &= \cos \beta_i - ((-(w_0 \cos \mu_1 + V_p) \sin \theta_1 - V_m \sin \mu_1 \cos \theta_1) (\cos \varphi_1 \cos \psi_1 - u \cos(\alpha - \Omega_s T)) \\ &+ ((w_0 \cos \mu_1 + V_p) \cos \theta_1 \cos i - V_m \sin \mu_1 \sin \theta_1 \cos i + V_m \cos \mu_1 \sin i) (\cos \varphi_1 \sin \psi_1 - u \sin(\alpha - \Omega_s T)) + ((-(w_0 \cos \mu_1 + V_p) \cos \theta_1 \sin i + V_m \sin \mu_1 \sin \theta_1 \sin i + V_m \cos \mu_1 \cos i) \\ &\sin \varphi_1) / \Pi_1 \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\Pi_1 = 1 + u^2 - 2u \cos(\alpha - \Omega_s T) \cos \varphi_1 \cos \psi_1 - 2u \sin(\alpha - \Omega_s T) \cos \varphi_1 \sin \psi_1$$

and

$$\Pi_2^2 = 1 + u^2 - 2u \cos \alpha \cos \varphi_2 \cos \psi_2 - 2u \sin \alpha \cos \varphi_2 \sin \psi_2$$

The second part of the program consists in finding, on the basis of the magnitudes  $\cos \beta_{1m}$ ,  $\cos \beta_{2m}$ ,  $\cos \beta_{3m}$  and  $\cos \beta_{4m}$  as calculated by this method, the exact position of the balloon and the geographic components of the wind. We utilize the arithmetic program of restitution of localization referred to in memorandum No. 11 by modifying the formulation and introducing the automatic calculation of the magnitudes  $v_{11}$ ,  $v_{12}$ ,  $v_{21}$  and  $v_{22}$  required for the calculation of  $V_p$  and  $V_m$ .

#### IV. Arithmetical Program and Experimental Results

The general arithmetical problem of restitution given in Annex 1 consists of a program of finding the measured magnitudes  $\cos \beta_{nm}$  and of the actual restitution program. Table 1 groups the results obtained for the nine localizations considered on the basis of the four magnitudes  $\cos \beta_{im}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ) calculated for a balloon defined by  $B_2$  ( $\varphi_2 = 0.261801$  rad =  $15^\circ$ ;  $\lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_1 = 0.0383957$  rad) and a wind with the components  $V_p = 0.00000500$  rad/sec =  $115.20$  km/hr and  $V_m = 0.0000700 = 161.2$  km/hr. The curves defining the variations of latitude and longitude of the balloons were plotted (cf. diagram 1 and 2) by maintaining one of the components of the wind constant. We verify in the specific case under consideration the linearity of the curves and obtain:

$$v_{11} = 9,5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rad/sec} = 218,88 \text{ km/h}$$

$$v_{12} = -35 \times 10^{-5} \text{ " } = -806,04 \text{ km/h}$$

$$v_{21} = 13,5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rad/sec} = 311,04 \text{ km/h}$$

$$v_{22} = 6,5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rad/sec. } = 149,76 \text{ km/h}$$

By carrying these values over to the plane  $V_1 V_2$ , we determine the magnitudes  $V_p$  and  $V_m$  at the intersections of the two straight lines (diagram 3). The numerical solution (cf. Annex II which reproduces the arithmetical results) furnishes the following values:

$$V_p = 0,00000512 \text{ rad/sec} \quad V_m = 0,00000709 \text{ rad/sec}$$

The precision obtained is very satisfactory (on the order of 2 %) and the corresponding position of the balloon calculated by the last iterative process furnishes the following results.

$$\varphi_2 = 0,261674 \text{ rad} \quad \lambda_2 + \Delta = 0,038381 \text{ rad}$$

The error in the position of the balloon after restitution of the continuous components is on the order of 800 m where the error in orbital latitude is predominant. The method therefore permits restitution of the localization of the balloon with very satisfactory approximation by nearly completely eliminating the influence of the wind; (the error due to the wind in the particular case under consideration was 50 km), it is now reduced to 800 m. It is possible to improve the localization by a more appropriate selection of the base and of the wind components. It was shown in fact that such a choice is linked essentially to the ionospheric errors which can rather appreciably disturb the result. Very generally, it will be noted (cf. diagram 2) that the determination of  $V_{12}$  will be as much better as the component  $V_{10}$  selected a priori is very large in absolute value and close to  $V_{12}$ . This observation becomes increasingly justified with the decreasing slope of the curves. However, such a choice requires a rather rough knowledge of the components of the wind obtained

TABLE 1

$$\cos \beta_{1m} = 0,53763131 \quad \cos \beta_{2m} = 0,13054304 \quad \cos \beta_{3m} = -0,35723468 \\ \cos \beta_{4m} = -0,62966364$$

Localization	$v_1$ (rad/sec)	$v_2$ (rad/sec)	$\theta_1$ (rad)	$p_z$ (rad)
1 with $S_1 S_2$	0	0	-0,16274589	0,21895238
2 with $S_1 S_2$	0,00000350	0	-0,16185602	0,21692967
3 with $S_1 S_2$	0	0,00000350	-0,16067090	0,21770575
4 with $S_2 S_3$	0	0	-0,16178245	0,21779094
5 with $S_2 S_3$	0,00000350	0	-0,16123181	0,21616990
6 with $S_2 S_3$	0	0,00000350	-0,15994328	0,21682217
7 with $S_2 S_4$	0	0	-0,16309782	0,21957796
8 with $S_2 S_4$	0,00000350	0	-0,16224846	0,21740102
9 with $S_2 S_4$	0	0,00000350	-0,16082130	0,21788610

e.g. during the preceding revolution. It will be noted, however, that even a very poor choice of  $V_{10}$  (like the one made by us) furnishes very satisfactory results.

#### V. Alternate Method

The necessity for carrying out nine complete localizations on the basis of the given wind requires a relatively large amount of time of arithmetical calculation. In order to limit the latter, we have considered a method consisting in a comparison at the instants of interrogation of the magnitudes effectively measured ( $\cos \beta_{1m}, \cos \beta_{2m}, \dots, \cos \beta_{nm}$ ) and of the calculated magnitudes. Localization is made on a given base, (e.g. base  $S_1 S_2$ ) and furnishes a position  $B_2$  of the balloon with given wind components  $V_{12}$ . From this position and with the same components of the wind, we calculate, at the instants of interrogation  $t + 2T, \dots, t + nT$ , the magnitudes  $\cos \beta_3, \cos \beta_4, \dots, \cos \beta_n$  which are compared to the measured magnitudes  $\cos \beta_{3m}, \cos \beta_{4m}, \dots, \cos \beta_{nm}$ . Each pair of values  $V_{12}$  is associated with two variations of  $\cos \beta$  at any two instants of interrogation other than those having served for localization (e.g. the instants  $t + 2T$  and  $t + 3T$ ). The relations

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \beta_3 - \cos \beta_{3m} &= f(V_1) \quad \text{for } V_1 = C_1 \quad \cos \beta_3 \cdot \cos \beta_{3m} &= g(V_1) \quad \text{for } V_1 = C_2 \\ \cos \beta_4 - \cos \beta_{4m} &= h(V_1) \quad \text{for } V_1 = C_1 \quad \cos \beta_4 - \cos \beta_{4m} &= k(V_1) \quad \text{for } V_1 = C_2 \end{aligned}$$

complete the determination of the components of the wind  $V_p$  and  $V_m$  in

an entirely analogous manner to that considered in the preceding paragraph. We verify the very satisfactory linearity of the functions  $f$ ,  $g$ ,  $h$  and  $k$  which limit to only three the number of localizations made on the base  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  and necessary for the restitution of the wind.

Table 2 groups the experimental results obtained for the case considered in the preceding.

$$\cos \beta_{1m} = 0,53763151 \quad \cos \beta_{2m} = 0,15054304 \quad \cos \beta_{3m} = -0,35723468 \quad \cos \beta_{4m} = -0,62963564$$

Localization	$V_1$ (rad/sec)	$V_2$ (rad/sec)	$\theta_1$ (rad)	$\mu_1$ (rad)	$\cos \beta_3$	$\cos \beta_4$
1 with $S_1 S_2$	0	0	-0,16274589	0,21895238	-0,35524293	-0,63028085
2 with $S_1 S_2$	0,00000350	0	-0,16185602	0,21692967	-0,35594457	-0,63034965
3 with $S_1 S_2$	0	0,00000350	-0,16067090	0,21770575	-0,35571911	-0,62992485

TABLE 2

We arrive at the following results:

$$V_{11} = 0,00000994 \quad V_{21} = 0,00001464 \quad V_{12} = -0,00003141 \quad V_{22} = 0,00000607$$

where

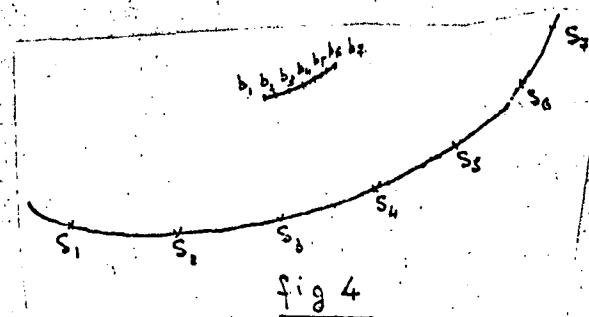
$$V_p = 0,00000514 \text{ rad/sec} \quad V_m = 0,000000706 \text{ rad/sec}$$

The accuracy for the components of the wind is approximately the same (on the order of 2 %) and the computation time was reduced at a ratio of 1:4. The computation time for  $\cos \beta_3$  and  $\cos \beta_4$  is negligible in relation to the time required for complete localization. We have definitely adopted this method which makes possible rapid exploitation of the results with very satisfactory accuracy.

#### VI. Influence of Ionospheric Errors

The selection of the base of localization as well as that of the bases requiring comparison of magnitudes has so far not been considered since the accuracy obtained is very satisfactory and approximately the same for the different bases. However, since ionospheric errors appreciably disturb the measurements, the problem of selection of bases becomes essential. It might be imagined that, with the selection of the base of localization made, a statistical investigation of the results obtained for all other combinations of bases would produce valuable information. However, the restricted number of interrogations during one orbital revolution and for a given balloon considerably reduces the quantity of information required for a statistical investigation.

In accordance with the report of J.C. Thoin and by utilizing the mean values of the absolute and relative errors for  $\cos \beta$  due to the contribution of the integrated mean index and of the horizontal gradient of  $\eta$ , we considered an absolute error of  $10^{-4}$  in the measured magnitude. On the basis of the magnitudes calculated for a given position of the balloon ( $\phi_2 = 0.261801$  rad =  $15^\circ$  and  $\lambda_2 + \alpha = 1.383957$  rad) and for two components of the wind ( $V_p = 0.00000700$  and  $V_m = 0.00000500$ ). Localization is made from measured magnitudes falsified by excess of  $10^{-4}$  since the computation time at the present stage does not permit generation of a Gauss noise and localization for each corresponding value. On the other hand, in order to more precisely indicate the importance of the selection of bases, we intentionally reduced the interval between interrogation in order to profit from a large number of bases (we profit from seven possible interrogations (cf. Figure 4) for  $T = 97.5$  sec.)



Since localization is made on the base  $S_1 S_3$  and restitution then requires only two interrogations, we considered all possible combinations of the other interrogations and the corresponding results are shown in Table 3.

TABLE NO. 3

$V_p = 0,00000700 \text{ rad/sec}$        $V_m = 0,00000500 \text{ rad/sec}$

	$S_2S_4$	$S_2S_5$	$S_2S_6$	$S_2S_7$	$S_4S_5$	
$V_p$	0,00000550	0,00000647	0,00000667	0,00000675	0,00000918	
$V_m$	0,00001176	0,00000688	0,00000586	0,00000547	0,00000214	
	$S_4S_6$	$S_4S_7$	$S_5S_6$			
$V_p$	0,00000837	0,00000798	0,0000750			
$V_m$	0,00000425	0,00000528	0,00000507			

We should immediately point out that the spacing of the bases definitely has an influence on the restituted components of the wind. Diagram 4 reproduces the curves representing  $V_p$  and  $V_m$  as a function of the base utilized. The error is a direct function of the spacing of the bases to a very appreciable degree. For the base  $S_2 S_4$ , the restituted components of the wind are very erroneous whereas the base  $S_2 S_7$  comes to within better than 10% of the real components of the wind and restitutes the position of the balloon with the ionospheric errors within better than 3km.

The increase of the interval between interrogation reduces in a very appreciable manner the errors of localization due to ionospheric errors (cf. Memorandum No. 13) so that we could expect that a large spacing of the bases would sensibly diminish the errors. On the other hand, by referring to diagram No. 4, the asymptotic trend of the curves will be noted which appears to tend toward the true positions at the rate at which the spacing at the bases increases.

The problem of the initial selection of the first base of localization does not appear in such evident fashion. However, if we desire to profit from the most distant base, we must reject a priori the interrogations at the midpoint of the zone of visibility. Although the independence of the ionospheric error as a function of the geometric trajectory appears confirmed, the method consisting in utilizing the first two and the last two interrogations appears to be the most satisfactory in view of the sensitivity of the error of localization to the interval between interrogation T. It would be possible to

utilize the first and the last interrogation as support of the base serving for the comparison of the measured and calculated magnitudes and the second and next to last interrogation as base of localization or vice versa. On the other hand, the bases thus obtained are approximately centered so that we are freed of the large amount of the error of localization consequent on eccentric bases.

#### VII. Conclusion

With the aid of four suitably selected interrogations, we can therefore restitute with satisfactory approximation the continuous components of the wind taking into account ionospheric errors. The selection of centered and widespaced bases appreciably reduces the ionospheric errors and brings the error of localization within acceptable limits (on the order of 2 to 3 km for a 200 - km/hr wind) where the continuous components of the wind are restituted within 8%. However, it should be carefully noted that such performances are essentially dependent on the bases utilized. In order to justify the conclusions of this note in regard to the selection of these bases, we will investigate in the subsequent memorandum the influence of the various parameters (interval between interrogation T, position of the base, distance from the trace) on the ionospheric errors, on the errors due to balloon altitude, and to the inaccuracies in the ephemerides.

In order to carry out a satisfactory restitution of the continuous components of the wind, it is necessary to dissociate the errors due to the wind from the other errors and very specifically the ionospheric errors. The increase of the interval between interrogation

for centered bases reduces the influence of the ionospheric errors and considerably increases the effect of the wind. The increase of the ratio of signal/noise = error due to wind/ionospheric error provides for a better restitution of the components of the wind and consequently definitely improves the localization.

ANNEX I - RESTITUTION OF WIND - RESTITUTION OF LOCALIZATION

PAF

$$i = 10 C D P V F L Z H J O G A X K N$$

$$U = S/6400$$

$$G = \sqrt{(398599/S^3)}$$

$$W = (1+U)/2U$$

$$Q = 1/U$$

$$Y = GT$$

1 Read C<sub>1</sub> C<sub>2</sub> Z<sub>5</sub> Z<sub>6</sub> S T M B

2 Calculate U G W Q Y

3 State H<sub>5</sub>=C<sub>1</sub> H<sub>0</sub>=C<sub>2</sub> V<sub>5</sub>=C<sub>1</sub> V<sub>6</sub>=C<sub>2</sub> F<sub>5</sub>=0 F<sub>0</sub>=0 F<sub>2</sub>=0 P<sub>4</sub>=1 L<sub>0</sub>=0 G<sub>1</sub>=G

4 State P<sub>3</sub>=1 H<sub>3</sub>=C<sub>1</sub> H<sub>2</sub>=C<sub>2</sub> H<sub>1</sub>=C<sub>1</sub>

5 If T < 0 go to 90

6 State (13440)=C<sub>1</sub> (13441)=C<sub>2</sub>

7 Program 100,0

8 State D<sub>1</sub>=(13449) D<sub>2</sub>=(13450) E=(13454)

9 Calculate F<sub>3</sub>=F<sub>2</sub>-E

10 Calculate F<sub>4</sub>=L<sub>2</sub>-D<sub>2</sub>-B

11 If |F<sub>3</sub>| < 0,000002 SI |F<sub>4</sub>| < 0,000002 go to 28

12 If P<sub>3</sub> > 11 go to 28

13 Make P<sub>3</sub>=P<sub>3</sub>+1

14 Calculate L<sub>2</sub>=D<sub>2</sub>+B

15 State F<sub>2</sub>=E

16 Calculate O<sub>2</sub>=ARC SIN (( COS F<sub>2</sub>)( SIN L<sub>2</sub>)( SIN M)+( SIN F<sub>2</sub>)( COS M))

17 Calculate J<sub>2</sub>=ARC TG ((( COS M)( COS F<sub>2</sub>)( SIN L<sub>2</sub>)-( SIN M)( SIN F<sub>2</sub>))/(( COS F<sub>2</sub>)( COS L<sub>2</sub>)))

ANNEX I (Continued)

- 18 Calculate  $J_1 = J_2 - 0,00007268T - Z_5T / \cos O_2$
- 19 Calculate  $O_1 = O_2 - Z_6T$
- 20 Calculate  $L_1 = \text{ARC TG } (((\cos M)(\sin J_1)(\cos O_1) + (\sin M)(\sin O_1)) / (\cos J_1)(\cos O_1))$
- 21 State  $L_1 = L_1$
- 22 Calculate  $F_1 = \text{ARC COS } ((\cos J_1)(\cos O_1) / \cos L_1)$
- 23 Calculate  $C_1 = (\cos F_1)(\sin(L_1+Y-B)) / (1+U^2 - 2U(\cos F_1)(\cos(L_1+Y-B)))$
- 24 Calculate  $C_3 = H_3 + H_1 - C_1$
- 25 State  $C_1 = C_3 \quad H_3 = C_3$
- 26 Go to 5
- 27 Go to 5
- 28 If  $G > 0$  go to 36
- 29 Print with 6 DEC RC F<sub>2</sub> TAB L<sub>2</sub> TAB G RC
- 30 Calculate  $J_3 = F_5 - F_2$
- 31 Calculate  $J_4 = F_6 - L_2$
- 32 State  $F_5 = F_2 \quad F_6 = L_2$
- 33 If  $|J_3| < 0,00002$  SI  $|J_4| < 0,00002$  go to 50
- 34 If  $P_4 > 7$  go to 50
- 35 Make  $P_4 = P_4 + 1$
- 36 State  $Z_1 = H_1 \quad Z_2 = C_2 \quad I = 1$
- 37 Calculate  $C_i = Z_1 + ((-(0,00007268(\cos O_i) + Z_5)(\sin J_i) - Z_6(\sin O_i)(\cos J_i))((\cos F_i)(\cos L_i) - U \cos(B-Y)) + ((0,00007268(\cos O_i) + Z_5)((\cos J_i)(\cos M) - Z_6(\sin O_i)(\sin J_i)(\cos M) + Z_6(\cos O_i)(\sin M))((\cos F_i)(\sin L_i) - U \sin(B-Y)) + (Z_6(\cos O_i)(\cos M) + Z_6(\sin J_i)(\sin O_i)(\sin M) - (0,0007268(\cos O_i) + Z_5)(\sin M)(\cos J_i)(\sin F_i)) / GU(1+U^2 - 2U(\cos F_i)(\cos L_i)(\cos(B-Y)) - 2U(\cos F_i)(\sin L_i)(\sin(B-Y)))$
- 38 State  $Y = 0$
- 39 Make  $T = I + 1$

ANNEX I - (Continued)

- 40 If  $I \leq 2$  go to 37
- 41 Calculate  $Y=G_1 T$
- 42 State  $G=-G$
- 43 If  $G \leq 0$  go to 4
- 44 State  $V_3=C_1$   $V_4=C_2$
- 45 Calculate  $C_1=V_5+I_{15}-V_3$
- 46 Calculate  $C_2=V_6+I_{16}-V_4$
- 47 State  $V_5=C_1$   $V_6=C_2$
- 48 Calculate  $Y=G_1 T$
- 49 Go to 4
- 50 Calculate  $I=X_0+1$
- 51 State  $A_1=L_2$
- 52 Print with 8 DEC RC  $A_1$
- 53 State  $N_1=J_2$   $K_1=O_2$   $X_0=I$
- 54 Print with 8 DEC RC  $N_1$  TAB  $K_1$
- 55 If  $I \geq 9$  go to 57
- 56 Go to 1
- 57 Calculate  $X_1=0,00000350(N_4-N_1)/(N_4-N_1-N_5+N_2)$
- 58 Calculate  $X_2=0,00000350(K_4-K_1)/(K_4-K_1-K_6+K_3)$
- 59 Calculate  $X_3=0,00000350(N_7-N_4)/(N_7-N_4-N_8+N_5)$
- 60 Calculate  $X_4=0,00000350(K_7-K_4)/(K_7-K_4-K_6+K_6)$
- 61 Calculate  $X_5=X_1X_3(X_2-X_4)/(X_3X_2-X_4X_1)$
- 62 Calculate  $X_6=X_2X_4(X_3-X_1)/(X_3X_2-X_4X_1)$
- 63 Print with 8 DEC RC  $X_5$  TAB  $X_6$
- 64 Go to 1

ANNEX I (Continued)

90 State  $Y=|Y|$   
91 State  $(13440)=C_2$   $(13441)=C_1$   
92 Interrogation  
93 Program 100,0  
94 State  $D_1=(13450)$   $D_2=(13449)$   $E=(13454)$   
95 State  $Y=-Y$   
96 Go to 9  
98 State  $X_0=0$   
99 Go to 1  
100 END

VERIFICATION PROGRAM

101 Read  $F_2$   $L_2$   $Z_5$   $Z_6$   $S$   $T$   $M$   $B$   
102 Print 8 DEC RC S TAB T TAB M RC  
103 Calculate U G W Q Y  
104 Calculate  $O_2 = \text{ARC SIN } ((\cos F_2)(\sin L_2)(\sin M) + (\sin F_2)(\cos M))$   
105 Calculate  $J_2 = \text{ARC TG } (((\cos M)(\cos F_2)(\sin L_2) - (\sin M)(\sin F_2)) / (\cos F_2)(\cos L_2))$   
106 Calculate  $J_1 = J_2 - 0.00007268T - Z_5T / \cos O_2$   
107 Calculate  $O_1 = O_2 - Z_6T$   
108 Calculate  $L_1 = \text{ARC TG } (((\cos M)(\sin J_1)(\cos O_1) + (\sin M)(\sin O_1)) / (\cos J_1)(\cos O_1))$

ANNEX I (Continued)

SF1ER5N5	110,0M	EV15	EV51	A2EM105,1
SF1M105,12	EV24	EV46	EV15	IF1E0F8
RV46AP1	EV25	EV23	EV54	EV30
ARC1R6	EV44	EV33	EV53	EV35
T1EM105,14	EV37	EV24	EV25	EV23
T6EM182,91	EV15	X	EV30	EV56
RM105,30	EV34	EV37	EV35	EV24
X	EV33	EV51	EV23	EV14
X	EV44	EV52	EV55	IF2E0F8
X	EV44	EV15	EV24	RM180,1
X	EV47	EV48	EV14	X
FE	EV46	EV33	A1EM105,1	

SECOND METHOD OF LOCALIZATION

PAF

$$i = 10^{\circ} C D P V F L Z H J O G A X K N$$

$$U = S/6400$$

$$G = \sqrt{398599/S^3}$$

$$W = (1+U^2)/2U$$

$$Q = 1/U$$

$$Y = GT$$

1 State  $X=0 C_3=-0,35826262 C_4=-0,63251829$

2 Read  $J_2 O_2 Z_5 Z_6 S T M B$

3 Calculate  $U G W Q Y$

4 Calculate  $J_1 = J_2 - 0,00007268T - Z_5T / \cos O_2$

5 Calculate  $O_1 = O_2 - Z_6T$

6 Calculate  $L_1 = \text{ARC TG } ((\cos M)(\sin J_1)(\cos O_1 + (\sin M)(\sin O_1)) / (\cos J_1)(\cos O_1))$

7 Calculate  $F_1 = \text{ARC COS } ((\cos J_1)(\cos O_1) / \cos L_1)$

SECOND METHOD OF LOCALIZATION (Continued)

- 8 Calculate  $C_1 = (\cos F_i)(\sin(L_i+Y-B)) / (1+U^2 - 2U(\cos F_i)(\cos(L_i+Y-B)))$
- 9 State  $Z_1 = C_1 \quad I=1$
- 10 Calculate  $C_i = Z_i + ((0,00007268(\cos O_i) + Z_5)(\sin J_i) - Z_G(\sin O_i)(\cos J_i))((\cos F_i)(\cos L_i) - U \cos(B-Y)) + ((0,00007268(\cos O_i) + Z_5)((\cos J_i)(\cos M)) - Z_G(\sin O_i)(\sin J_i)(\cos M) + Z_G(\cos O_i)(\sin M))((\cos F_i)(\sin L_i) - U \sin(B-Y)) + (Z_G(\cos O_i)(\cos M) + Z_G(\sin J_i)(\sin O_i)(\sin M) - (0,00007268(\cos O_i) + Z_5)(\sin M)(\cos J_i))((\sin F_i)) / -GU(1+U^2 - 2U(\cos F_i)(\cos L_i)(\cos(B-Y)) - 2U(\cos F_i)(\sin L_i)(\sin(B-Y)))$
- 11 Calculate  $I=X_0+1$
- 12 State  $N_i=C_1 \quad X_0=I$
- 13 Print with 8 DEC RC  $N_i$  RC
- 14 If  $I > 3$  go to 16
- 15 Go to 2
- 16 If  $T < -200$  go to 21<sup>th</sup>
- 17 Calculate  $X_1 = 0,0000350(N_1 - C_3) / (N_1 - N_2)$
- 18 Calculate  $X_2 = 0,0000350(N_1 - C_3) / (N_1 - N_3)$
- 19 State  $X_0 = 0$
- 20 Go to 2
- 21 Calculate  $X_3 = 0,00000350(N_1 - C_4) / (N_1 - N_2)$
- 22 Calculate  $X_4 = 0,0000350(N_1 - C_4) / (N_1 - N_3)$
- 23 Calculate  $X_5 = X_1 X_3 (X_2 - X_4) / (X_3 X_2 - X_4 X_1)$
- 24 Calculate  $X_6 = X_2 X_4 (X_3 - X_1) / (X_3 X_2 - X_4 X_1)$
- 25 Print with 8 DEC RC  $X_1$  TAB  $X_2$  TAB  $X_3$  TAB  $X_4$  RC
- 26 Print with 8 DEC  $X_5$  TAB  $X_6$
- 27 END

SECOND METHOD OF LOCALIZATION (Continued)

109 Calculate  $F_1 = \text{ARC COS } ((\cos J_1)(\cos \theta_1)/\cos L_1)$

110 Calculate  $C_1 = (\cos F_1)(\sin(L_1+Y-B)) / (1+U^2-2U(\cos F_1)(\cos(L_1+Y-B)))$

111 Calculate  $C_2 = (\cos F_2)(\sin L_2) / (1+U^2-2U(\cos F_2)(\cos L_2))$

1129 State  $Z_1=C_1$   $Z_2=C_2$   $I=1$

113 Calculate  $C_i = Z_i + ((-(0,00007268(\cos \theta_i)+Z_5)(\sin J_i)-Z_G(\sin \theta_i)(\cos J_i))((\cos F_i)(\cos L_i)-U \cos(B-Y))+((0,00007268(\cos \theta_i)+Z_5)((\cos J_i)(\cos M))-Z_G(\sin \theta_i)(\sin J_i)(\cos M)+Z_G(\cos \theta_i)(\sin M))((\cos F_i)(\sin L_i)-U \sin(B-Y))+((Z_G(\cos \theta_i)(\cos M)+Z_G(\sin J_i)(\sin \theta_i)(\sin M)-(0,00007268(\cos \theta_i)+Z_5)(\sin M)(\cos J_i))(\sin F_i))/(-GU(1+U^2-2U(\cos F_i)(\cos L_i)(\cos(B-Y))-2U(\cos F_i)(\sin L_i)(\sin(B-Y))))$

114 Interrogation

115 State  $Y=0$

116 Make  $I=I+1$

117 If  $I \leq 2$  go to 113

118 Print with 8 DEC  $C_1$  TAB  $C_2$  TAB  $L_2$  TAB  $F_2$  RC

119 State  $T=-T$

120 Go to 103

100,0M	A4EM182,94	SF6R5	A1EM105,22+	RV10,0ΔN7
T12M105,30	A5ER2	SF6R3	AF1R2	A5EM182,96
A1EM105,0	MF5R4	T6M105,21	QF1R6	SF5R6
A2ER1	T5M105,22	SF2ER6	SF2ER1	QF5V2
MF2R1	MF5R4	A5EV0	AF2EV1	A1ER7
A1EM105,1	A6ER5	A3ER1	RV10,0ΔN2	MF1R5
A3ER1	MF6R2	SF1R2	ARC2R1	X
MF3R1	SF6R5	A6ER3P1	A1EM105,0+	RV82ΔP1
A1ER2	SF6R2	A6ER2N1	A1ER2P1	SF1ER5
SFLR3	T6M105,20	A1ER6	SF1ER2N1	QF1V2
A1ER3N1	X	YF6R1	T1M105,9+	A5ER1
A1ER2P1	SF1ER6	A15EV0	RV67ΔY15	AF6R5
X	A5ER3	A1EM105,20+	A15EV1	A1ER7P7
A4EM182,90	MF5R4	A2ER6	RV47Δ	SF1ER7N7
A5ER4	T5M105,23	MF2R6	A7EM105,9	SF1M105,11
MF5R4	MF5R4	AF1R2	SF7M105,10	X
SF5R1	A6ER5	A1EV0N1	SF7M182,98	RV92ΔN1
RVO,0ΔN5	MF6R3	YF2R1	RV75ΔYS	A1ER5P5

ANNEX II

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} C_1 = 0,53763151 \quad C_2 = 0,15054304 \\ C_3 = -0,35723468 \quad C_4 = -0,62966364 \end{array} \right\} \cos \beta_{im}$$

Position of Balloon

Wind

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \varphi_i = F_i = 0,261801 \quad L_2 = 0,0383957 \\ V_b = 0,00000500 \quad V_m = 0,00000700 \end{array} \right.$$

$$F_2 = 0,269975 \quad L_2 = 0,039175$$

$$F_2 = 0,269358 \quad L_2 = 0,038512$$

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$$A_1 = 0,03851151$$

$$N_1 = 0,16274589$$

$$F_2 = 0,267992 \quad K_1 = 0,21895238$$

$$L_2 = 0,038374$$

$$F_2 = 0,267317 \quad L_2 = 0,037652$$

$$F_2 = 0,267318 \quad L_2 = 0,037654$$

$$A_2 = 0,03765368$$

$$N_2 = 0,16185602$$

$$F_2 = 0,267904 \quad K_2 = 0,21692967$$

$$L_2 = 0,039722$$

$$F_2 = 0,267042 \quad L_2 = 0,039068$$

$$F_2 = 0,267041 \quad L_2 = 0,039070$$

$$A_3 = 0,03906953$$

$$N_3 = 0,16067090$$

$$F_2 = 0,267977 \quad K_3 = 0,21770575$$

$$L_2 = 0,038871$$

$$F_2 = 0,267869 \quad L_2 = 0,038339$$

$$F_2 = 0,267873 \quad L_2 = 0,038341$$

$$F_2 = 0,267873 \quad L_2 = 0,038341$$

$$A_4 = 0,03834092$$

$$N_4 = 0,16178245$$

$$F_2 = 0,266466 \quad K_4 = 0,21779094$$

$$L_2 = 0,038119$$

$$F_2 = 0,266357 \quad L_2 = 0,037544$$

$$F_2 = 0,266358 \quad L_2 = 0,037546$$

$$A_5 = 0,03754580$$

$$N_5 = 0,16123181 \quad K_5 = 0,21617990$$

Localization 1

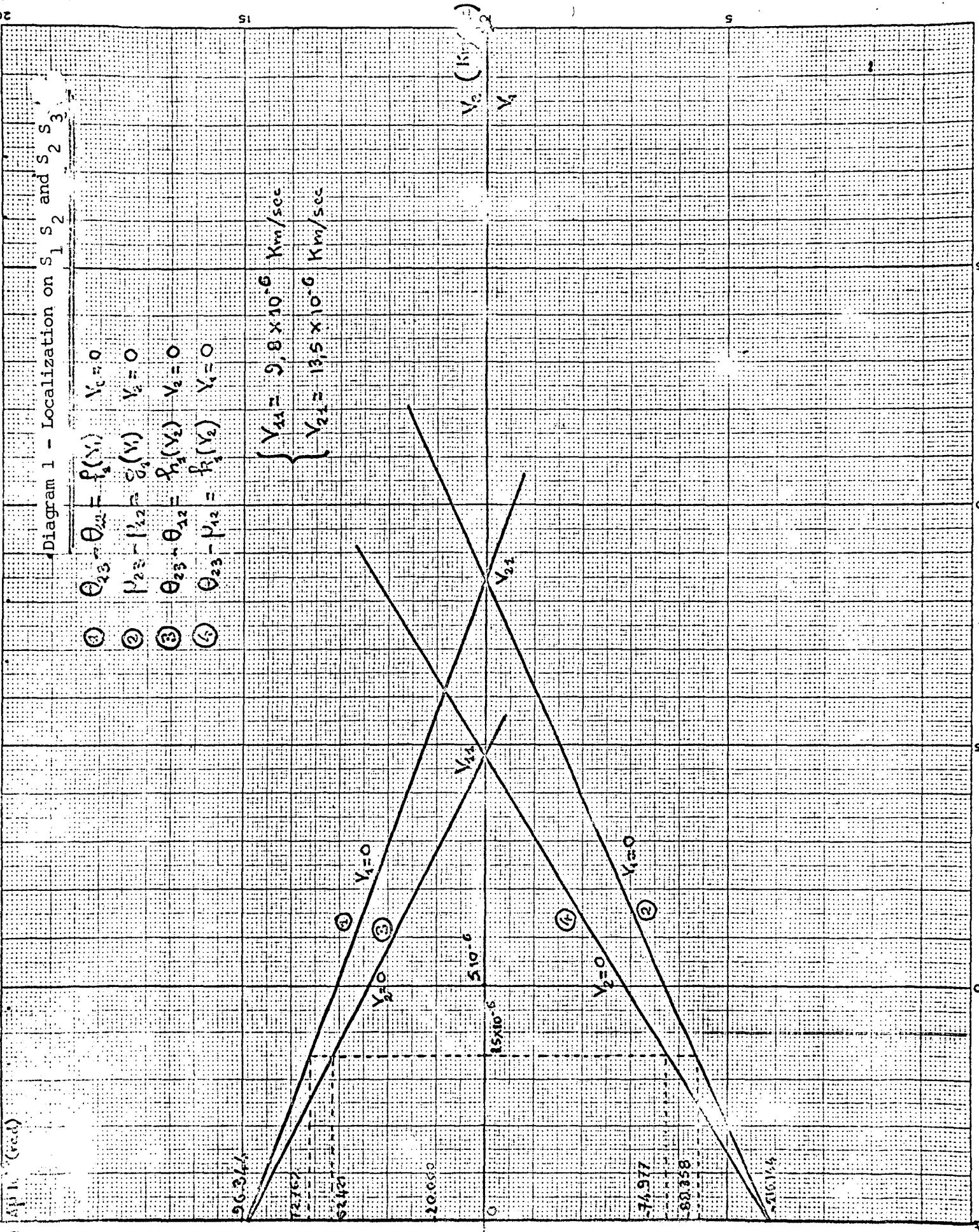
Localization 2

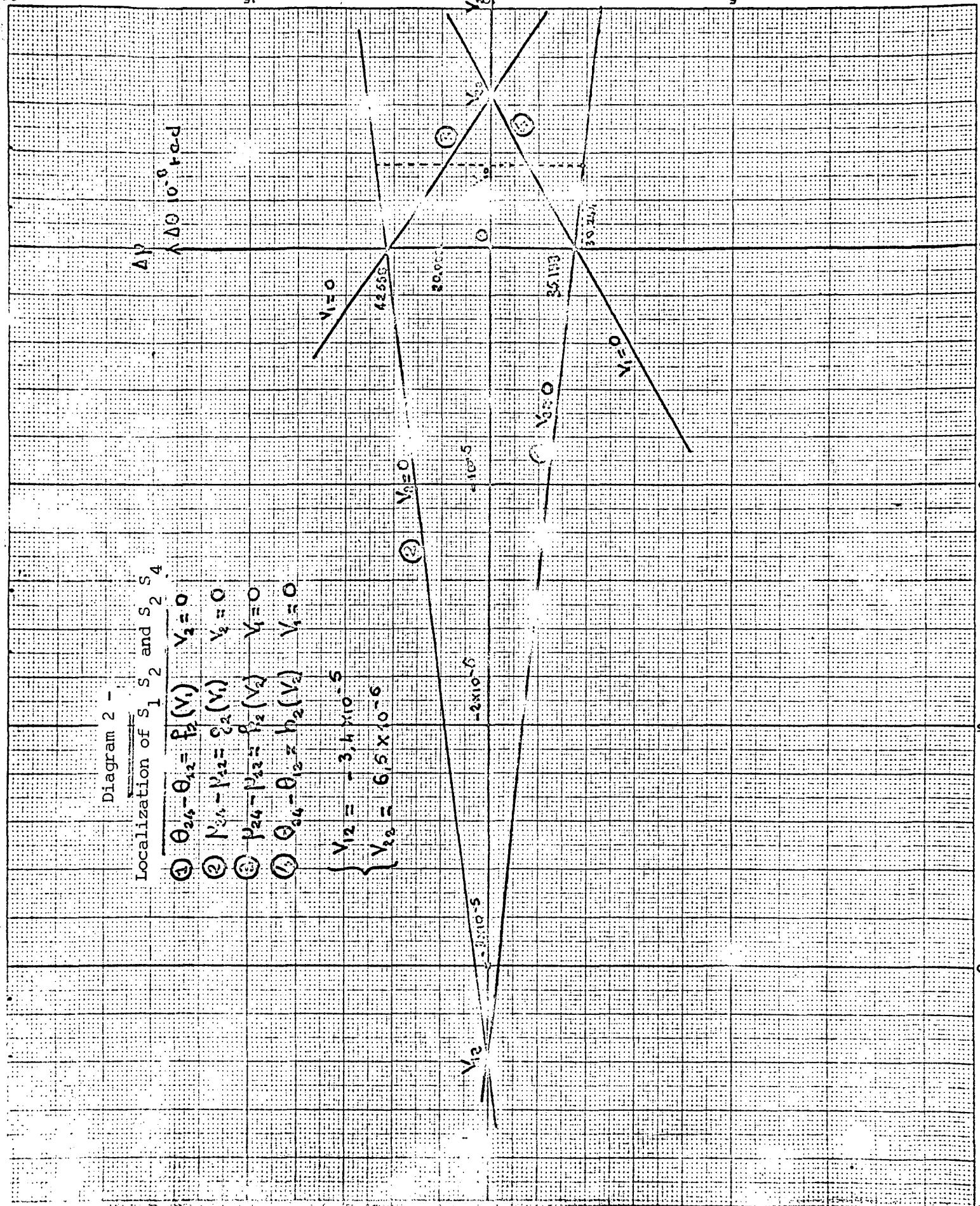
Localization 3

Localization 4

Localization 5

$F_2 = 0,266180$	$L_2 = 0,039458$	
$F_2 = 0,265914$	$L_2 = 0,038935$	
$F_2 = 0,265915$	$L_2 = 0,038936$	<u>Localization 6</u>
$A_6 = 0,03893649$		
$N_6 = 0,15994328$	$K_6 = 0,21682217$	
$F_2 = 0,269469$	$L_2 = 0,038923$	
$F_2 = 0,269902$	$L_2 = 0,038576$	
$F_2 = 0,269902$	$L_2 = 0,038575$	<u>Localization 7</u>
$A_7 = 0,03857493$		
$N_7 = 0,16309782$	$K_7 = 0,21937796$	
$F_2 = 0,267409$	$L_2 = 0,038085$	
$F_2 = 0,267925$	$L_2 = 0,037723$	
$F_2 = 0,267922$	$L_2 = 0,037722$	<u>Localization 8</u>
$F_2 = 0,267922$	$L_2 = 0,037722$	
$A_8 = 0,03772163$		
$N_8 = 0,16224846$	$K_8 = 0,21740102$	
$F_2 = 0,267096$	$L_2 = 0,039445$	
$F_2 = 0,267271$	$L_2 = 0,039095$	<u>Localization 9</u>
$F_2 = 0,267273$	$L_2 = 0,039095$	
$A_9 = 0,03909540$		
$N_9 = 0,16082130$	$K_9 = 0,21788610$	
$X_5 = 0,00000512$	$X_6 = 0,00000709$	<u>Wind restituted</u>
$F_2 = 0,262907$	$L_2 = 0,039103$	
$F_2 = 0,261679$	$L_2 = 0,038380$	
$F_2 = 0,261671$	$L_2 = 0,038380$	
$F_2 = 0,261674$	$L_2 = 0,038381$	<u>Balloon position restituted</u>
$F_2 = 0,261674$	$L_2 = 0,038381$	





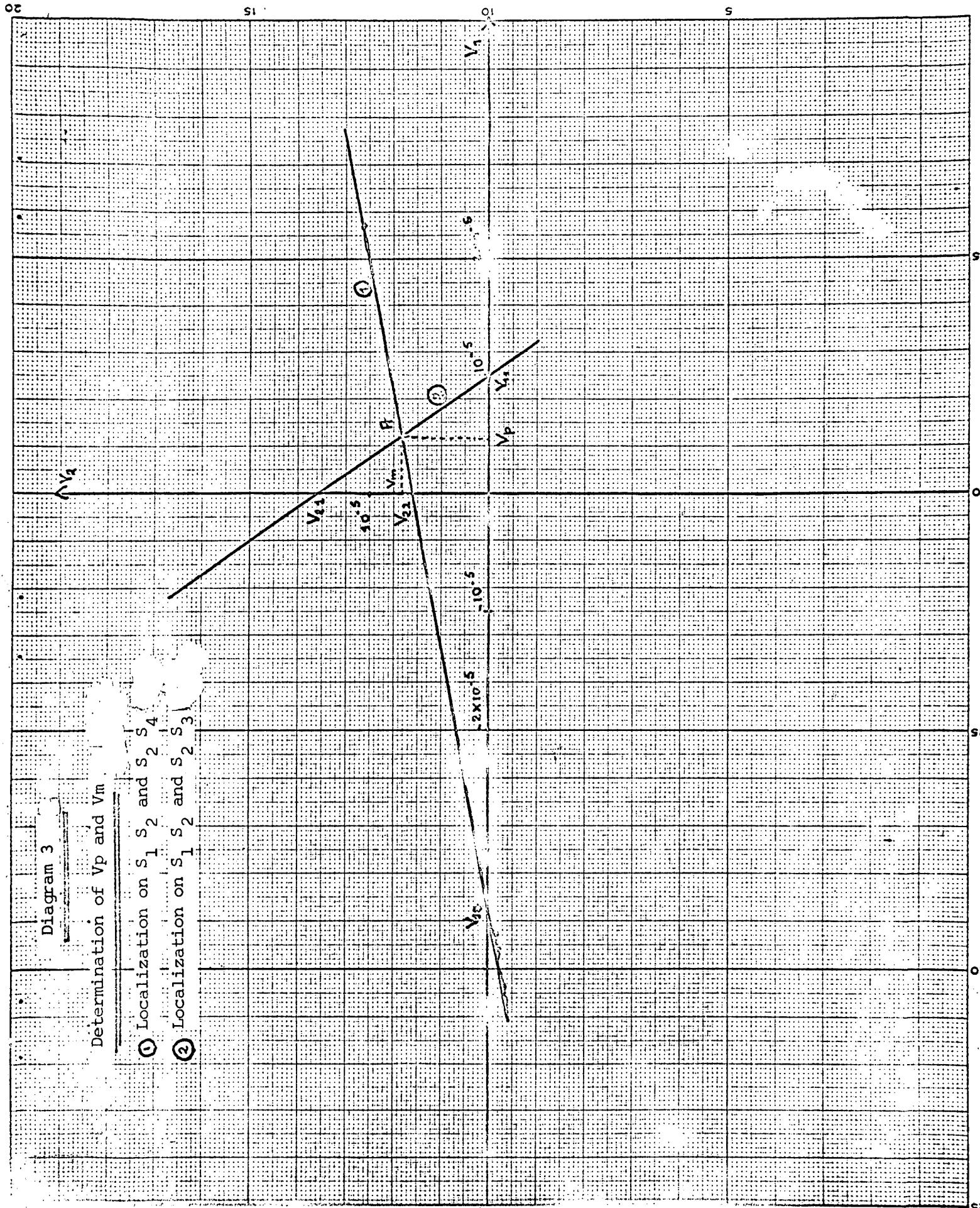


Diagram 4  
Influence of ionospheric errors

